The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to you today as a current satellite TV subscriber who would like to add my voice of support to the pending merger of EchoStar and DIRECTV. The combination of these two satellite providers will provide numerous benefits to consumers like me, including more choices in channels, programming, broadband and new television technologies.

I live in Adamsville, TN. I am outside the city limits and in a zone where cable service is not provided. I went the roof top antenna and C-band dish route and then changed to Dish in hopes of having local channels that had good reception.

It is very frustrating because I work in Jackson and frequently visit both Memphis and Nashville, but currently my networks are out of Dallas, Texas. I know very little of what happens in my home state. In light of recent events in our country I would like to urge you to support this merger. It is also alarming not to have access to local stations for severe weather alarms.

I am proud to be a American and a Tennessean. I would like the opportunity to receive information that is pertinent to my area.

Sincerely,

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